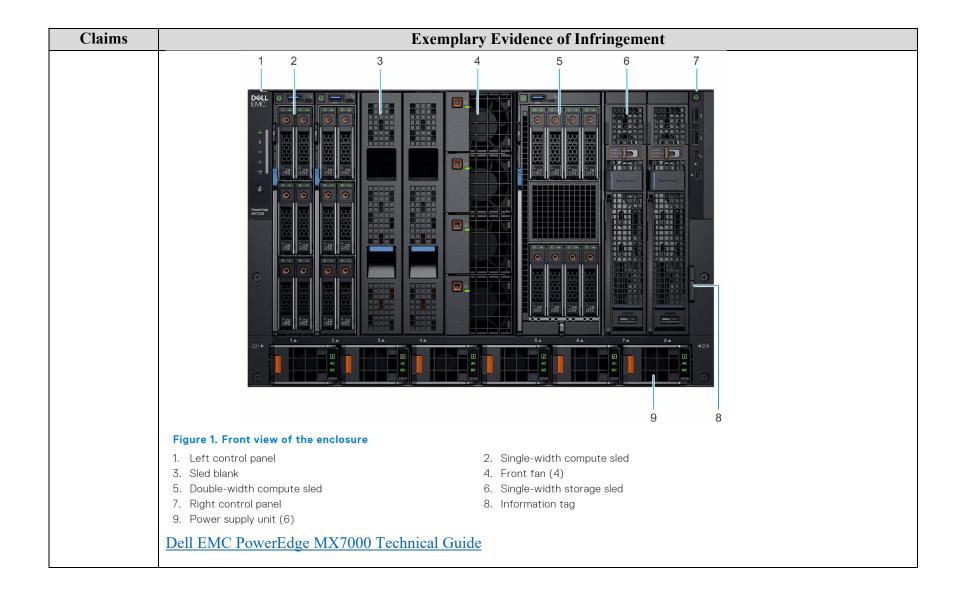
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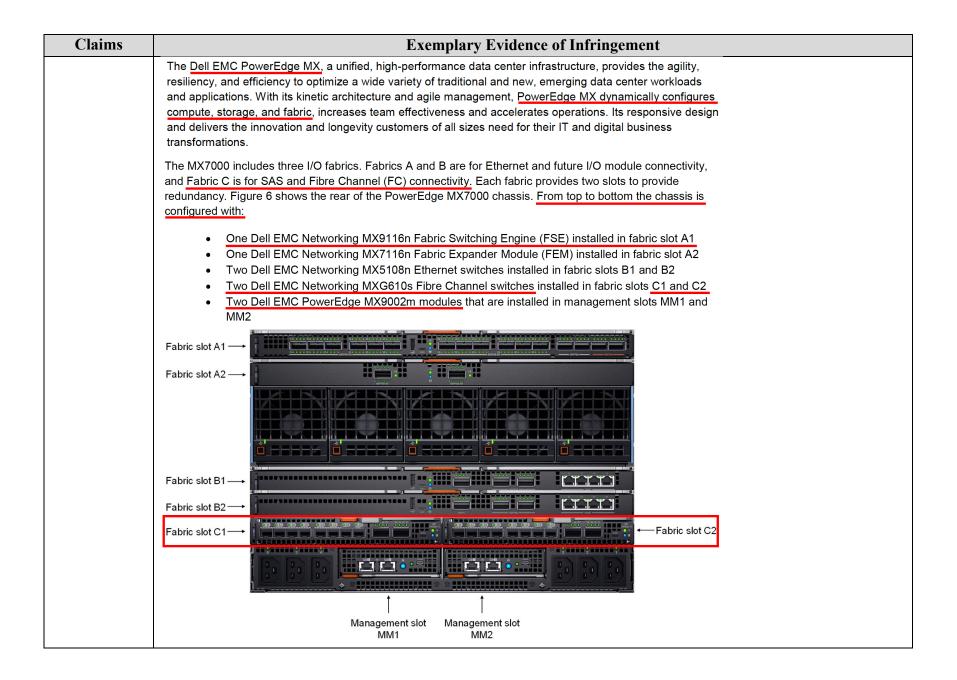
## CHART FOR U.S. PATENT NO. 8,160,070 ("the '070 Patent")

## **Accused Products:**

Dell's products, including but not limited to its PowerEdge MX Networking Architecture products (e.g., MX7000 Modular Chassis) with "Dell EMC OpenManage Enterprise Modular (OME-Modular)" ("Accused Products"), infringe at least Claim 1 of the '070 Patent.

Claims	Exemplary Evidence of Infringement			
1 [pre] A fibre	o the extent the preamble is limiting, the Accused Products comprise a fiber channel proxy.			
channel				
proxy,	For example, the Accused Products comprise "three I/O fabrics" where "Fabric C is for Fibre Channel (FC)			
comprising:	connectivity" and include two "Dell EMC Networking MXG610s Fibre Channel switches installed in fabric slots			
	C1 and C2" for "accessing data on external storage" where the "MXG610s features up to 32 Fibre Channel ports."			
	For example, the Accused Products use "FC identities" which "are virtual identities required by a device to support			
	FC operations" and an "Identity Pool wizard for defining an FC virtual identity pool." For example, the			
	Accused Products include a "PowerEdge M9002m management module" with "management module (MM)			
	firmware" on which the "Dell EMC OpenManage Enterprise Modular (OME-Modular) application runs" which			
	"manage[s] the input or output modules (IOMs), and storage devices."			
	See, e.g.:			





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	Dell EMC PowerEdge MX Networking Architecture Guide		
	The Dell EMC Networking MXG610s has a flexible architecture which enables enterprises to dynamically scale connectivity and bandwidth with the latest generation of Fibre Channel for the PowerEdge MX7000. The MXG610s features up to 32 Fibre Channel ports, which auto-negotiate to 32, 16, or 8 Gbps speed. The MXG610s offers 16 internal server facing ports which auto-negotiate between 32 Gbps and 16 Gbps, allowing customers to implement the right bandwidth for their needs today, with the ability to increase that bandwidth in the future with Ports-on-Demand capability. There are 8 external  MXG610s SPEC SHEET  The Dell EMC Networking MXG610s 32G Fibre Channel IO Module for the PowerEdge MX7000 is the right choice for mission-critical applications accessing data on external storage. The MXG610s industry-leading performance with the latest generation of Fibre Channel. It empowers enterprises to dynamically scale connectivity and bandwidth with Ports-on-Demand (PoD), provides consolidated management for an agile management structure and simplified server and storage connectivity, and employs a responsive design which protects enterprise's infrastructure with inherent security and with non-disruptive upgrades to NVMe over Fibre Channel.  MXG610s SPEC SHEET  FC identities are virtual identities required by a device to support virtual FC operations. The FC page of the Identity Pool wizard is used to define a sub-pool to use for generating unique FC virtual identities.		
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	<ul> <li>Connectivity of management network.</li> <li>Discovery and inventory.</li> <li>Monitoring and power control operations and thermal functions.</li> </ul>			
	You can use OME-Modular to manage key workloads on the MX7000 platforms.			
	Dell EMC OpenManage Enterprise-Modular Edition for PowerEdge MX7000 Chassis			
	The most common connectivity method, NPIV Proxy Gateway mode (NPG) is used when connecting PowerEdge MX to a storage area network that hosts a storage array. NPG mode is simple to implement as there is little configuration that must be done. The NPG switch converts FCoE from the server to native FC and aggregates the traffic into an uplink. The NPG switch is effectively transparent to the FC SAN, which "sees" the hosts themselves. This mode is supported only on the MX9116n FSE.			
	OS10 supports configuring N_Port mode on an Ethernet port that connects to converged network adapters (CNA). NPG node port (N_Port) is a port on a network node that act as a host or initiator device and is used in FC point-to-point or FC switched fabric. N_Port ID Virtualization (NPIV) allows multiple N_Port IDs to share a single physical N_Port.			
	<u>Dell Technologies PowerEdge MX – Networking – Deployment Guide</u>			
1 [a] a first set of one or more fibre channel	The Accused Products comprise a first set of one or more fibre channel proxy ports configured to receive storage operations from one or more initiators.			
proxy ports configured to receive storage operations from one or more initiators;	For example, the Accused Products comprise "three I/O fabrics" where "Fabric C is for Fibre Channel (FC) connectivity" and include two "Dell EMC NetworkingMXG610s Fibre Channel switches installed in fabric slots C1 and C2" for "accessing data on external storage" where the "MXG610s features up to 32 Fibre Channel ports" with "16 internal server facing ports." For example, the Accused Products use "FC identities" which "are virtual identities required by a device to support FC operations" and an "Identity Pool wizard for defining an FC virtual identity pool." For example, the Accused Products include one "Dell EMC Networking MX9116n Fabric Switching Engine (FSE)" and a "PowerEdge M9002m management module" with "management module (MM) firmware" on which the "Dell EMC OpenManage Enterprise Modular (OME-Modular) application runs" which "manage[s] the input or output modules (IOMs), and storage devices."			

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	See, e.g.:		
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	PowerEdge MX7000: Templates and Profiles			
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	Configure the port group for the FC interfaces used to connect to storage. In the deployment example here, port-group 1/1/16 is configured for breakout from 1x64 GFC to 4x16 GFC.		
	Dell Technologies PowerEdge MX – Networking – Deployment Guide		

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Claims	Delivering industry leading performance in a modular switch, the non-blocking switching architecture in the MX9116n provides line-rate 25GbE L2 and L3 forwarding capacity to all connected servers with no oversubscription and a sub 450ns latency. In addition to 16 internal 25GbE ports, the MX9116n provides four QSFP28 100GbE ports for uplinks and twelve QSFP28-Double Density ports. These QSFP28-DD ports provide capacity for additional uplinks, ICLs, connections to rack servers at 10GbE or 25GbE via breakout cables, and fabric expansion connections for up to 9 additional MX7000 chassis.			
	MX9116n Fabric Switching Engine Specification Sheet  The most common connectivity method, NPIV Proxy Gateway mode (NPG) is used when connecting PowerEdge MX to a storage area network that hosts a storage array. NPG mode is simple to implement as there is little configuration that must be done. The NPG switch converts FCoE from the server to native FC and aggregates the traffic into an uplink. The NPG switch is effectively transparent to the FC SAN, which "sees" the hosts themselves. This mode is supported only on the MX9116n FSE.  OS10 supports configuring N_Port mode on an Ethernet port that connects to converged network adapters (CNA). NPG node port (N_Port) is a port on a network node that act as a host or initiator device and is used in FC point-to-point or FC switched fabric. N_Port ID Virtualization (NPIV) allows multiple N_Port IDs to share a single physical N_Port.			
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1 [c] a processor configured to:	The Accused Products comprise a processor.  For example, the Accused Products include one "MX9116n Fabric Switching Engine (FSE)" with "SmartFabric OS10" "Software" that "can support eight 32Gb Fibre Channel connections enabling direct attachment of a FC storage array and as a NPIV Proxy Gateway to an existing FC SAN." For example, the Accused Products include two "MX9002m modules," where the "MX9002m management module hosts OpenManage Enterprise — Modular (OME-M) console" which is an "application [that] runs on the PowerEdge M9002m management module (MM) firmware)" that "facilitates configuration and management of" the Accused Products. For example, the Accused Products include two "MXG610s Fibre Channel switches" each of which include a "dual-core T1022E processor."  See, e.g.:			

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	The MXG610s is a 32-port 32, 16, 8 Gbps FC switch module that provides the following hardware features:			
	The MXG610s is a 32-port 32, 16, 8 Gbps FC switch module that provides the following hardware features:  • 16 internal backplane FC ports to connect with the FC controller on server blades  • The internal ports support 16-Gbps or 32-Gbps speed  • The internal ports support F_Port mode and N_Port mode for NPIV connection from the HBA  • 16 external FC ports to connect with external FC storage or an FC switch  • Eight external SFP+ ports and two QSFP ports that can operate as 4x 32 Gbps each  • All external SFP+ ports autonegotiate to 8-, 16-, or 32-Gbps speeds when you use 32-Gbps SFP+ transceivers  • All external SFP+ ports autonegotiate to 8- or 16-Gbps speeds when you use 16-Gbps SFP+ transceivers  • All QSFP ports autonegotiate to 16- or 32-Gbps speeds  • The QSFP ports support breakout cables to example four uplinks  • All external ports support  • F_Port, N_Port,D_Port, and E_Port modes  • Connecting with another FC switch module through E_Port-to-E_Port mode or through N_Port(NPIV)-to-F_Port mode  • Dynamic load sharing (DLS) and dynamic path selection (DPS) using exchange-based balancing when operating as E_Ports  • Only ISL connections are supported on the QSFP ports. Interchassis link (ICL) connections are not supported on the MXG610s QSFP ports  • A dual-core T1022E processor operating at 1.2 GHz delivers high performance, scalability, and advanced fabric vision functionality.  MXG610s Fibre Channel Switch Module Installation Guide			

Claims		Exemplary Evidence of Infringement
	Product	Description
	MX9116n Fabric Switching Engine	
	Optics	Transceiver, 2x100/2x80GbE Multi-rate, 2SR4 QSFP28-DD Transceiver, 2x40GbE, 2SR4 QSFP28-DD Transceiver, 100GbE, SR4 QSFP28 Transceiver, 100GbE, SR4 QSFP28 Transceiver, 100GbE, LR4 QSFP28 Transceiver, 100GbE, ESR4 QSFP28 Transceiver, 100GbE, ESR4 QSFP28 Transceiver, 100GbE, PSM4 500m QSFP28 Transceiver, 100GbE, CWDM4 2Km QSFP28 Transceiver, 100GbE, SWDM4 100m QSFP28 Transceiver, 100GbE, SWDM4 100m QSFP28 Transceiver, 100GbE, SR4 optic QSFP4 Transceiver, 40GbE, SR4 optic QSFP+ Transceiver, 40GbE, LR4 optic QSFP+ Transceiver, 40GbE, BIDI optic QSFP+ Transceiver, 40GbE, PSM4 10Km QSFP+ Transceiver, 40GbE, LM4 Duplex QSFP+ Transceiver, 40GbE, LM4 Duplex QSFP+ Transceiver, 40GbE, SM4 Duplex QSFP+ Transceiver, 40GbE, SM4 Duplex QSFP+ Transceiver, 40GbE, SM4 Duplex QSFP+ Transceiver, 4x32G FC SW optic QSFP28 Transceiver, 4x16G FC SW optic QSFP+
	Cables	2x 100GbE, QSFP28-DD to QSFP28-DD, active optical, passive DAC 2x 100GbE, QSFP28-DD to 2xQSFP28, active optical, passive DAC 2x 100GbE, QSFP28-DD to 8xSFP28 (8x10/25GbE), active optical, passive DAC 2x 100GbE, MPO12-DD to MPO12-DD optical 2x 100GbE, MPO12DD to 2xMPO12 optical breakout 2x 100GbE, MPO12DD to 8xLC optical breakout 2x 100GbE, MPO12DD to 2xQSFP+, active optical, passive DAC 2x 40GbE, QSFP28-DD to 2xQSFP+, active optical, passive DAC 100GbE, QSFP28 to QSFP28, active optical, passive DAC 100GbE, QSFP28 to 4xSFP28 (4x10/25GbE), active optical, passive DAC 100GbE, MTP to MTP optical 100GbE, MTP to 4xLC optical breakout 40GbE, QSFP+ to QSFP+, active optical & passive DAC 40GbE, QSFP+ to QSFP+, active optical & passive DAC
	Software	SmartFabric OS10 Select third-party operating system offerings (future)

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	The Dell EMC Networking MX9116n Fabric Switching Engine is a scalable, high-performance, low latency 25Gbps Ethernet switch purpose-built for the PowerEdge™ MX platform providing enhanced capabilities and cost- effectiveness for the enterprise, mid-market, Tier 2 cloud and NFV service providers with demanding compute and storage traffic environments.  The MX9116n is fully IEEE data center bridging (DCB) compliant, supporting iSCSI, NAS, and FCoE transit. Two of the QSFP28 ports can support eight 32Gb Fibre Channel connections (4 per QSFP28), enabling direct attachment of a FC storage array and as a NPIV Proxy Gateway to an existing FC SAN.  MX9116n Fabric Switching Engine Specification Sheet  The Dell EMC Networking SmartFabric OS10 is a Network Operating System supporting multiple architectures and environments. The networking world is moving from al monolithic stack to a pick-your-own-world. The OS10 solution is designed to allow multi-layered disaggregation of network functionality. While OS10 contributions to Open Source provide users freedom and flexibility to pick their own 3rd party networking, monitoring, management and orchestration applications, OS10 bundles an industry hardened networking stack featuring standard L2 and L3 protocols over a standard and well accepted CLI interface.		
1 [c] [i] map storage access locations received in the storage operations from the one or more initiators to different storage blocks in the one or more storage targets;	The Accused Products map storage access locations received in the storage operations from the one or more initiators to different storage blocks in the one or more storage targets.  For example, the Accused Products are "designed for the modern software-defined data center," include "up to 8 PowerEdge MX740c" or up to "4 PowerEdge MX840c Server Sleds," "up to 7 PowerEdge MX5016s Storage Sleds," and "OpenManage Enterprise – Modular Edition Embedded Management." For example, the "Ideal workloads" for the "MX740c PowerEdge MX Component[]" are "[v]irtualization, software-defined workloads," and the "Ideal workloads" for the "MX740c PowerEdge MX Component[]" are "[s]oftware-defined." For example, the Accused Products "MX740c" includes one or more "PERC card[s]" where "PERC" refers to a "PowerEdge RAID Controller" that "[o]ffers RAID control capabilities." For example, "RAID processes data reads and write to physical disks," and "RAID concepts" include "[s]triping" which "writes data across all physical disks in a virtual disk" where each "stripe consists of consecutive virtual disk data addresses that are mapped in fixed-size units to each physical disk in the virtual disk" For example, the Accused Products provide for "mapping volumes to the target host." For example, the Accused Products "provide management support for 'virtual identities" where "devices can assume a set of alternate identity values, called a virtual identity, and function on the network using that identity, as if the virtual identity were its factory-installed identity." For example, the Accused Products use "FC identities," which are virtual identities required by a device to support virtual FC operations" and include an "Identity Pool wizard page for defining an FC virtual identity pool." For		

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	"Software" that "can support eight 32Gb Fibre Channel connections enabling direct attachment of a FC storage array and as a NPIV Proxy Gateway to an existing FC SAN."		
	See, e.g.:		
	Devices come with unique manufacturer-assigned identity values pre-installed (such as a factory-assigned MAC address). Those identities are fixed and never change. However, devices can assume a set of alternate identity values, called a "virtual identity", and function on the network using that identity, as if the virtual identity were its factory-installed identity. The use of virtual identity is the basis for stateless operations.  MX7000 Chassis provides management support for "virtual identities". Just like factory-installed identities, virtual identities must also be unique on the network. Using virtual identities enables MX7000 Chassis to support operations such as shifting (migrating) a full device configuration, including its virtual identity, from one server to another. In other words, a virtual identity can be removed from one device and assigned to a different device (for example, in case the original device stops working or needs maintenance).  PowerEdge MX7000: Templates and Profiles		

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	<ul> <li>Large and unstructured data and analytics</li> <li>Hyper converged and traditional workloads</li> <li>Database workloads</li> <li>Software defined storage</li> <li>HPC and performance workloads</li> </ul>		
	The lead chassis in the Multi Chassis Management (MCM) enables you to perform the following tasks:		
	<ul> <li>Manage servers across multiple MX chassis.</li> <li>Deploy or update servers from lead chassis without launching the member chassis web interface.</li> <li>Manage fabric switch engines in fabric mode using the OME-Modular web interface.</li> <li>Manage alert log and actions.</li> <li>Manage virtual MAC/WWN identity pools.</li> <li>Deploy compute sleds easily using server profiles and templates.</li> </ul> Dell EMC OpenManage Enterprise-Modular Edition for PowerEdge MX7000 Chassis		

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	SmarFabric mode		
	This example shows directly attaching a Dell PowerStore 1000T storage array to the MX9116n FSE using universal ports 44:1 and 44:2.		
	NOTE: The MX5108n Ethernet Switch does not support this feature.		
	This example assumes that an existing SmartFabric has been created and is fully operational. For instructions on creating a SmartFabric, see SmartFabric Creation.		
	To configure NPG mode on an existing SmartFabric, the following steps are completed using the OME-M console:		
	<ul> <li>1. Connect the storage array to the MX9116n FSE. Each storage controller is connected to each MX9116n FSE.</li> <li>Define FCoE VLANs to use in the fabric. For instructions, see Define VLANs.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Make sure that chassis are in a Multi-Chassis Management group. For instructions, find the relevant version of the User Guide in the OME-M and OS10 compatibility and documentation table.</li> </ul>		
	2. If necessary, create Identity Pools. See the Create identity pools section for more information about how to create identity pools.		
	3. Configure the physical switch ports for FC operation. See the Configure Fibre Channel universal ports section for instructions.		
	4. Create the FC Direct Attached uplinks. For more information about creating uplinks, see the Create Fibre Channel uplinks section.		
	<ul><li>5. Create and deploy the appropriate server templates to the compute sleds. See Server Deployment for more information.</li><li>6. Configure zones and zone sets. See the Managing Fibre Channel Zones on MX9116n FSE section for instructions.</li></ul>		
	Once the server operating system loads the FCoE, the WWN appears on the fabric and on the FC SAN. The system is now ready to connect to Fibre Channel storage. See Dell PowerStore 1000T for how to create host groups and map volumes to the target host.		
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	Chassis setup requirements				
	This section provides initial conditions of the chassis, servers, and storage sled before beginning network configuration. The installation and setup of the chassis and servers are not within the scope of this document.				
	Initial MX7000 chassis and server conditions:				
	<ul> <li>MX7000 chassis installed and powered on (includes MX9002m modules)</li> <li>MX740c vSAN Ready Node servers (4qty) installed in chassis</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>MX5108n switches installed in fabric A1, A2, B1, and B2</li> <li>MX7000 chassis management access configured (IP addresses assigned to chassis management)</li> </ul>				
	Best practice - Update all associated firmware and software				
	PowerEdge MX7000 vSAN Ready Node Deployment Guide				

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	PowerEdge MX	PowerEdge Architecture	PowerEdge MX	
		Form factor	7U enclosure with 8 slots	
		Description	Modular chassis that accommodates a variety of compute and storage sled combinations, connected by high-speed fabrics, sharing power, cooling and managed by embedded OpenManage Enterprise –	
	PowerEdge MX kinetic		Modular Edition systems management	
	infrastructure, designed for the modern software-defined	I/O slots	2 USB 2.0 Type A or KVM control (keyboard and mouse only) 1 Mini Display Port connector for video	
	data center, delivers optimal utilizaiton, productivity and efficiency. With an industy-	Server Sleds	Up to 8 PowerEdge MX740c Up to 4 PowerEdge MX840c	
	leading no midplane and scalable fabric architecture, PowerEdge MX will support new processor technologies,	Storage Sleds	Up to 7 PowerEdge MX5016s	
	new storage types, and new connectivity innovations well		Up to 6 PSUs; Platinum rated – 3000W output with high line AC input; N+1 or Grid redundancy support	
	into the future. This modular 7U integrated solution designed for enterprise data center		5 80 mm rear and 4 60mm front hot-swap fans	
	density with easy deployment and management is ideal for a variety of workloads including dense virtualization, software-	I/O and Ports	Up to 2 pairs of redundant general-purpose switch or pass-through modular bays (Fabrics A and B); redundant pair of storage specific switch bays (Fabric C) Up to 25Gbps Ethernet, 32Gbps Fibre Channel, 12Gbps SAS	
	defined workloads, including SDS and HCI, and big data environments.	Embedded Management	OpenManage Enterprise – Modular Edition (OME-Modular); running on up to 2 redundant MX9002m management modules Quick Sync 2 Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE)/ wireless module option	

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	PowerEdge MX Components	MX750c	MX740c	MX840c	MX5016s
	Form factor	Single-width, 2-socket server sled		Double-width, 4-socket server sled	Single-width, direct-attached storage sled
	Description	High-performance modular compute sled with exceptional scale	Efficient, feature-rich modular server for modern data center	Scalable, high-performance modular server for modern data center	Dense, scale-out storage sled with flexible performance and capacity options
	Ideal workloads	Virtualization, power, thermal, system management, and usability workloads	Virtualization, software-defined, collaborative workloads	Software-defined and demanding, database-driven workloads	SDS (vSAN), SQL, ERP and dense virtualization
	Chassis enclosure	Up to 8 sleds per MX7000 7U chassis	Up to 8 sleds per MX7000 7U chassis	Up to 4 sleds per MX7000 7U chassis	Up to 7 sleds per MX7000 7U chassis  Requires a minimum 1 compute node in a chassis with storage sleds
	Processor	2 x 3rd Generation Intel Xeon Scalable processors with up to 40 cores per processor	Up to two 2nd Generation Intel® Xeon® Scalable processors, with up to 28 cores per processor; TDP 70-205W	Two or four 2nd Generation Intel® Xeon® Scalable processors, with up to 28 cores per processor; TDP 70-205W	Not Applicable
	Memory	32 DDR4 DIMM slots, supports RDIMM max 2TB or LRDIMM max 4TB, speeds up to 3200 MT/s. Up to 16 Intel Persistent Memory 200 series (BPS) slots, max 8TB	24 DIMMs in total; supports DDR4 RDIMMs, LRDIMMs, NVDIMM-Ns Maximum capacity: (RDIMM): 1.5TB (LRDIMM): 3TB (NVDIMM-N): 192GB DDR4 speeds up to 2933 MT/s	48 DIMMs in total; supports DDR4 RDIMMs, LRDIMMs, NVDIMM-Ns Maximum capacity: (RDIMM): 3TB (LRDIMM): 6.1TB (NVDIMM-N): 192GB DDR4 speeds up to 2933 MT/s	Not Applicable
	Disk	4 x 2.5-inch or 6 x 2.5-inch SAS/SATA (HDD/SSD)	Up to 6 x 2.5" SAS/SATA ( <u>HDD/SSD</u> ) or NVMe PCle SSD drives plus optional M.2 boot	Up to 8 x 2.5" SAS/SATA ( <u>HDD/SSD</u> ) or NVMe PCle SSD drives plus optional M.2 boot	Up to 16 x 2.5" SAS ( <u>HDD/SSD</u> ) per storage sled
	Dell EMC Po	owerEdge Quick Reference	e Guide		

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	Installing the PERC card			
	Prerequisites			
	1. Follow the safety guidelines listed in Safety Instructions.			
	2. Follow the procedure listed in Before working inside the sled.			
	Steps			
	1. Pull the blue pull tag to raise the lever up on the PERC card.			
	2. Align the connector on the PERC card with the connector on the system board.			
	3. Align the guides on the PERC card with the slots on the system.			
	4. Press the PERC card to firmly seat in the system board connector.			
	5. Close the lever on the PERC card.			
	Next steps			
	1. Connect the cable to the PERC card.			
	2. Follow the procedure listed in After working inside your sled.			
	Dell EMC PowerEdge MX740c Installation and Service Manual			
	The PowerEdge RAID Controller (PERC) 10 series consist of the H345, H740P, H745, H745P MX, and H840 cards. The PERC 10 family of storage controller cards has the following characteristics:			
	Complies with serial-attached SCSI (SAS) 3.0 providing up to 12 Gb/sec throughput.			
	<ul> <li>Supports Dell-qualified serial-attached SCSI (SAS) hard drives, SATA hard drives, and solid-state drives (SSDs).</li> <li>Offers RAID control capabilities including support for RAID levels 0, 1, 5, 6, 10, 50, and 60.</li> </ul>			
	Dell PowerEdge RAID Controller 10 User's Guide PERC H345, H740P, H745, and H840 Series Controllers			

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	Hardware and software RAID
	RAID can be implemented with either hardware or software. A system using hardware RAID has a RAID controller that implements the RAID levels and processes data reads and writes to the physical disks. When using software RAID provided by the operating system, the operating system implements the RAID levels. For this reason, using software RAID by itself can slow the system performance. You can, however, use software RAID along with hardware RAID volumes to provide better performance and variety in the configuration of RAID volumes. For example, you can mirror a pair of hardware RAID 5 volumes across two RAID controllers to provide RAID controller redundancy.
	RAID concepts
	RAID uses particular techniques for writing data to disks. These techniques enable RAID to provide data redundancy or better performance. These techniques include:
	<ul> <li>Mirroring — Duplicating data from one physical disk to another physical disk. Mirroring provides data redundancy by maintaining two copies of the same data on different physical disks. If one of the disks in the mirror fails, the system can continue to operate using the unaffected disk. Both sides of the mirror contain the same data always. Either side of the mirror can act as the operational side. A mirrored RAID disk group is comparable in performance to a RAID 5 disk group in read operations but faster in write operations.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Striping — Disk striping writes data across all physical disks in a virtual disk. Each stripe consists of consecutive virtual disk data addresses that are mapped in fixed-size units to each physical disk in the virtual disk using a sequential pattern. For example, if the virtual disk includes five physical disks, the stripe writes data to physical disks one through five without repeating any of the physical disks. The amount of space consumed by a stripe is the same on each physical disk. The portion of a stripe that resides on a physical disk is a stripe element. Striping by itself does not provide data redundancy. Striping in combination with parity does provide data redundancy.</li> </ul>
	Understanding RAID concepts 17
	Dell EMC Server Administrator Storage Management 9.4 User's Guide

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	B.3.3 Create LUNs and configure host access		
	<ol> <li>In the Unisphere left pane under STORAGE, select Block</li> <li>On the LUNs tab, click the (+) icon to open the Create LUNs dialog box.</li> <li>On the Configure LUN(s) page, select the Number of LUNs.</li> <li>Provide a name in the field provided, then select the Storage Pool.</li> <li>From the Size section, make the required modifications, then click Next.</li> <li>On the Access page, click the (+) icon and the select host(s) to be granted access to the LUN</li> <li>Click OK, then click Next.</li> <li>On the Snapshot page, leave settings at their defaults and click Next.</li> </ol>		
	<ul> <li>9. On the Replication page, leave settings at their defaults and click Next.</li> <li>10. On the Summary page, review the details and click Finish to create the LUN.</li> <li>11. On the Results page, click Close when Overall status shows 100% Completed.</li> </ul>		
	Create additional LUNs and grant access (map) to hosts as needed.		
	Dell EMC PowerEdge MX Series Fibre Channel Storage Network Deployment with Ethernet IOMs		
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	PowerEdge MX7000: Templates and Profiles

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